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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No. **26B-022**First Inventor or Application Identifier **MORITA**Title **KNEE PROTECTION AIRBAG APPARATUS**Express Mail Label No. **17858 U.S. POSTAL SERVICE**

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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| 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> * Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17) (Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix) |
| 2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specification [Total Pages 44] | 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary) |
| -Descriptive title of the Invention | |
| -Cross Reference to Related Applications | |
| -Background of the Invention | |
| -Summary of the Invention | |
| -Brief Description of the Drawings | |
| -Detailed Description of the Preferred Embodiment | |
| -Claims | |
| -Abstract of the Disclosure | |
| 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 7] | 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) |
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| a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Newly executed (original or copy) | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> English Translation Document (if applicable) |
| b. <input type="checkbox"/> Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63 (d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 16 completed) | 10. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Copies of IDS Citations |
| i. <input type="checkbox"/> DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). | |

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| 11. <input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Amendment | 12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (should be specifically itemized) <input type="checkbox"/> *Small Entity Statement(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Statement filed in prior application, Status still proper and desired |
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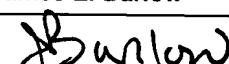
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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2003

Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ 790)

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| Application Number | |
| Filing Date | September 5, 2003 |
| First Named Inventor | MORITA |
| Examiner Name | |
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| Attorney Docket No. | 26B-022 |

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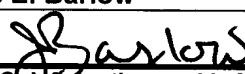
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| 1051 | 130 | 2051 | 65 | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath | |
| 1052 | 50 | 2052 | 25 | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet | |
| 1053 | 130 | 1053 | 130 | Non-English specification | |
| 1812 | 2,520 | 1812 | 2,520 | For filing a request for reexamination | |
| 1804 | 920* | 1804 | 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action | |
| 1805 | 1,840* | 1805 | 1,840* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | |
| 1251 | 110 | 2251 | 55 | Extension for reply within first month | |
| 1252 | 410 | 2252 | 205 | Extension for reply within second month | |
| 1253 | 930 | 2253 | 460 | Extension for reply within third month | |
| 1254 | 1450 | 2254 | 725 | Extension for reply within fourth month | |
| 1255 | 1970 | 2255 | 985 | Extension for reply within fifth month | |
| 1401 | 320 | 2401 | 160 | Notice of Appeal | |
| 1402 | 320 | 2402 | 160 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 1403 | 280 | 2403 | 140 | Request for oral hearing | |
| 1451 | 1,510 | 1451 | 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | |
| 1452 | 110 | 2452 | 55 | Petition to revive - unavoidable | |
| 1453 | 1,300 | 2453 | 650 | Petition to revive - unintentional | |
| 1501 | 1300 | 2501 | 650 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) | |
| 1502 | 470 | 2502 | 235 | Design issue fee | |
| 1503 | 630 | 2503 | 315 | Plant issue fee | |
| 1460 | 130 | 1460 | 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | |
| 1807 | 50 | 1807 | 50 | Petitions related to provisional applications | |
| 1806 | 180 | 1806 | 180 | Submission of information Disclosure Stmt | |
| 8021 | 40 | 8021 | 40 | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | 40 |
| 1809 | 750 | 2809 | 375 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a)) | |
| 1810 | 750 | 2810 | 375 | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b)) | |
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